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BRITISH GAIN ON 1,500-YARD FRONT; RUSSIANS CAPTURE 13,000 MORE MEN

ALL WIRE TAPPING SECRETS DEMANDED BY JUSTICE AS CLERGYMEN FACE INQUIRY

Judge Threatens the Assistant Kings Prosecutor With Contempt Charge.

GREENBAUM ON BENCH.

Obstruction of Justice Alleged Against the Defendants.

Assistant District Attorney Hersey Egington of Kings County was given until to-morrow by Justice Greenbaum in the Supreme Court to-day to show cause why he and his chief, District Attorney Harry E. Lewis, should not be punished for contempt in failing to produce Grand Jury minutes subpoenaed by the Court.

This action followed the failure of Mr. Egington to bring with him copies of the Grand Jury proceedings that resulted in the indictment of Charles Commissioner John A. Kingsbury for tapping the telephone wires of cler-

gymen. The clerical men alleged that under Mayor Mitchell's orders their telephone wires were tapped and garbled reports of their conversations made to Charles H. Strong, the Commissioner appointed by the Governor to investigate the State Board of Char-

ities. Justice Greenbaum sat as a Magistrate in the Criminal Branch of the Supreme Court to hear the charge that, in the proceedings before Commissioner Strong, Robert W. Hebbard committed perjury, and also conspiracy with the Rev. William B. Farrell, Mr. John J. Dunn and Dr. Daniel C. Potter. The three clerical men are also charged with libel and with conspiracy to obstruct and defeat justice; Messrs. Dunn and Farrell being especially charged with urging Dr. Potter to leave the State and offering him inducements to go away.

A great array of counsel faced Justice Greenbaum—Frank Moss for Mr. Hebbard; Alfred J. Talley and Meier Steinbrink for Messrs. Dunn and Farrell and Dean Potter for his father, Dr. Potter. Assistant District Attorney Embree and Martin W. Littleton represented the prosecution.

Mr. Steinbrink, counsel for Mr. Dunn and Father Farrell, cross-examined Commissioner Strong and called his attention to the Moore pamphlet. This was a collection of newspaper clippings reproduced in fac simile. They were chiefly "sore headlines" alleging grave mistreatment of orphans in religious institutions and said to have been revealed at Commissioner Strong's investigation.

"There was one grave and conspicuous inaccuracy in the Moore pamphlet," said Commissioner Strong. "What was that?"

"It was the story that 'Orphans and Pigs Eat Out of the Same Bowl,'" said Mr. Strong.

This was one of the newspaper headlines in big black type reproduced in the Moore pamphlet. Moore was in the employ of the State Charities Aid Association.

"Was there any testimony before you," asked Mr. Steinbrink, "that orphans and pigs were fed from the same bowl?"

"There was no proof before me," said Commissioner Strong emphatically, "that orphans and pigs did eat out of the same bowl, either at the same time or that pigs fed from the same bowl after the orphans had eaten."

"Did you see the newspaper with

VILLA SURELY DEAD, SAYS HIGH OFFICIAL AT WASHINGTON

His Name Used as Scare—Pershing to Leave Mexico in Month—Militia Home Soon.

WASHINGTON, July 17.—Villa is dead, Gen. Pershing's troops will be out of Mexico within a month and the National Guard back home within three months, a high War Department official said to-day.

Villa's name is being used by minor leaders to inspire fear among Carranzistas, the officials declared. He said Carranza was stronger to-day in Mexico than he ever had been, principally because he had averted war with the United States "without loss of dignity by Mexico."

"We expect Pershing to be out of Mexico in a month or so," said a Department official to-day. "In three months the National Guard probably will be back home."

"The Carranza Government was never stronger than it is. Sentiment has crystallized behind him since the recent trouble. This is because, without loss of dignity to Mexico, he stayed off war with the United States, Villa himself couldn't hurt him for that reason."

"And Villa, according to our reports, is dead. We believe his name is being used by his leaders to embarrass Carranza and to inspire fear in the Mexican people. We think he is dead and his cause buried with him."

MEXICO CITY, July 17.—If American troops are completely withdrawn from Mexico, the Carranza Government will see to it that the border is fully protected against bandit raids, War Minister Obregon said to-day.

"Our proposals made at the Juarez-El Paso conference have not been withdrawn," said Obregon. "Our army not only is in a position to protect the border against further raids and incursions into American territory, but is in a position to subdue the bandits completely and pacify the country in a short time."

"It is our purpose to give protection and guarantees to every one, and for this purpose we count on 80 per cent. of the male population will help restore order. The whole country is now in sympathy with our cause and we are doing our best to end internal troubles."

COLONIAL PARLIAMENTS SEND VISITORS TO FRONT

Thirty-three Statesmen From British Possessions Arrive in Paris.

PARIS, July 17.—Thirty-three members of British Colonial Parliaments, from Canada, Newfoundland, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa, arrived in Paris to-day and will visit the British and French fronts. Each delegation will go to the sector of the front held by troops from its own colony.

Canada's delegation consists of Senators Landry, Belcourt, Dennis and Ross and Commons Foster, Rhodes, Shepherd, Nickle and Knowles.

FIRST GERMAN PRISONERS TAKEN IN ALLIED DRIVE



The above picture, which was officially issued by the Press Bureau, was taken as the captives were resting while on their way to the rear of the British lines.

BIG SUBMARINE DUE TO START RETURN TRIP TO-MORROW

Spies and Bombs Feared as the Deutschland Hurries Preparations for Voyage.

BALTIMORE, Md., July 17.—The German submarine freighter Deutschland now plans to slip down the Patuxent River and into Chesapeake Bay to-morrow night, en route back to Germany, a member of the crew told the United Press to-day.

Loading should be finished to-morrow at the present rate, Capt. Hirsch gave corroborative indication that the return trip is at hand when he announced no visitors will be permitted to board the vessel after to-morrow.

Capt. Hirsch told the United Press he expects the Bremen in a few days and that she will come here or to New York, though he indicated Baltimore will be the port.

Fear of spies and bombs seemed to be strongly upon the crew and managers of the German wonder submarine Deutschland to-day.

The vigilance of the past week had increased. Even police officials who had been permitted free entrance to her pier were barred, and a special watchman headed off messengers and mail carriers. All night the powerful searchlight on the tug Timmins played nervously over the waters to pick up launches and to search the shore for unwelcome watchers.

The Deutschland, dressed up in fresh green paint and decorated with traces of white at bow and stern, to resemble the ocean waves, still lay at the pier to-day. It had been announced that Capt. Koenig would go to New York to see Ambassador Bernstorff and bring back a packet of diplomatic mail, but Manager Hilsen said this forenoon: "The captain will stay right here."

The second submarine freighter Bremen is expected here in a few days. Capt. Hirsch told friends he expected "another boat very soon," moreover, he took steps to-day to shift the Neckar—sleeping quarters for the Deutschland—to the Deutschland's berth, meantime dredging out the Neckar side of the pier. When this is done the Neckar will be shifted back and the "other boat" mentioned by Hirsch will be put into

COOLER WEATHER BRINGS DECREASE IN PLAGUE DEATHS

Stricter Sanitary Measures Also Help Curb Spread of Paralysis.

Health Commissioner Emerson announced to-day that in spite of the excitement caused by the epidemic, comparative figures for the week ending July 15 show that the death rate for children under one year is but \$7.6 per thousand, as against about 100 per thousand for the same period last year.

The entire death rate of victims of all ages he admitted to be a little above that of last year, but this was due in a measure, he explained, to heat prostrations.

Stricter sanitation and cooler weather combined to produce a falling off to-day in the number of deaths from infantile paralysis reported to the Board of Health and in the number of new cases discovered. The figures for all boroughs for the past twenty-four hours are as follows:

Deaths.	To-day.	Yesterday.
Brooklyn	7	9
Manhattan	3	4
Bronx	2	0
Queens	2	2
Richmond	0	2
Total	14	17

The number of deaths to date is 400. New Cases.

Brooklyn	55	65
Manhattan	18	14
Bronx	1	6
Queens	20	6
Richmond	1	5
Total	95	96

The total of verified cases reported

The total of verified cases reported since the beginning of the epidemic is 2,964.

Police Commissioner Woods, who has been keeping in touch with the progress of the epidemic while on his honeymoon in the Adirondacks, re-

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WAR IS COSTING BRITAIN \$30,000,000 EVERY DAY

Chancellor McKenna Announces Big Increase to the House of Commons.

LONDON, July 17.—England's expenditures have now reached a total of £6,000,000 (about \$10,000,000 daily), Chancellor of the Exchequer McKenna informed the House of Commons this afternoon.

War expenditures for the United Kingdom have been steadily increasing. At the beginning of the year it was stated that England was spending more than \$25,000,000 a day.

THREE CARS OF GOLD FOR J. P. MORGAN & CO.

Treasure Train From Halifax Brings Big Consignment of British Coin.

Seven auto trucks of the American Express Company drew up this morning in front of the Assay Office in Pine Street and a consignment of British gold for the account of J. P. Morgan & Co. was unloaded.

This gold, together with a consignment of securities, arrived on a special train from Halifax. The train, made up of three steel cars carrying the treasure, together with coaches for armed express messengers, left Halifax Saturday, crossing the international border Sunday at Vanceboro.

HUGHES TO MAKE 12 SPEECHES ON TRIP

Arrangements for Speaking Programme to Be Completed Here Thursday.

BRIDGEHAMPTON, N. Y., July 17.—Arrangements for the transcontinental trip, on which Charles E. Hughes expects to start early in August, probably will be completed next Thursday in New York when Mr. Hughes will confer with the campaign committee. Mr. Hughes will confine the number of speeches to twelve. The campaign committee will designate the cities where the nominee will speak and the dates.

All letters and telegrams asking Mr. Hughes to speak at various places on this and other trips have been referred to the campaign committee.

61 MERCHANTMEN SUNK IN JUNE BY U-BOATS

BERLIN (via Sayvitz) July 17.—During the month of June sixty-one enemy merchantmen, with a total tonnage of 100,000, were sunk by Austro-German submarines. It was officially announced to-day.

MRS. G. VANDERBILT AND DAUGHTER ARE HEROINES OF FLOOD

Take Personal Charge of Rescues as Storm Waters Sweep Biltmore Estate.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., July 17.—Floods that devastated Biltmore, model village on the Vanderbilt estate, have left 500 persons homeless and have enrolled Mrs. George W. Vanderbilt and her daughter Cornelia among the heroines of this section. Personally in charge of the rescue work, the mother and daughter took many grave risks, often being compelled to wade through water to their waists to save themselves.

Most of the houses in Biltmore were flooded to their second stories and many families that remained in the upper floors were rescued with great difficulty.

Two Cincinnati-bound trains, the Carolina Special, which left here Saturday night and another which left last night, are "lost" in the flood. All railway and commercial telegraph lines are down. The dead in the flood caused by overflow of the French Broad River are:

Louise Tressler, Asheville; Lucius Fraser, Asheville; J. B. Lile, Biltmore; Charlotte Walker, Biltmore; Mabel Foster, Biltmore; Louise Walker, Biltmore.

Three dead at Hendersonville. Six dead at Charlotte.

Damage done cotton mills, power plants and lumber mills along the Swannanoa and French Broad rivers will total \$3,000,000, according to present estimates. They are cut off from communication, however, and it is impossible to learn the extent of damage to machinery.

WASHINGTON, July 17.—The Southern Railroad to-day practically suspended traffic south out of Washington. Reports continued to pour in telling of disaster from floods in North and South Carolina. A second bridge on the Charlotte Division went out at 3 A. M. Trains are unable to proceed beyond Salisbury and no wires are in operation south of that point. Atlanta being reached by way of Chicago and New Orleans.

Ten million dollars of property destroyed, five persons known dead, hundreds injured and missing, railroad traffic and telephone and telegraph communication demoralized is the toll of the floods sweeping the

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BERLIN ADMITS REVERSES ON BRITISH AND RUSSIAN LINES; BIG BATTLE IN CHAMPAGNE

Gen. Haig Reports Capture by Storm of More Second Line Positions—Von Linsingen's Right Wing Retreats Before the Russian Attacks.

RUSSIANS WIN A BATTLE IN FRANCE; LAND NEW ARMY

Gen. Haig reported this afternoon that British troops had stormed and captured German second line positions on a front of 1,500 yards and made gains at other points.

The German War Office admitted this afternoon that the British have made further progress toward the important highway town of Posieres, penetrating Ovillers Wood. The Berlin official statement reported lively fighting west of Peronne.

Petrograd reported the capture of 13,000 prisoners in Volhynia in yesterday's fighting and at the same time Berlin admitted a retreat by Gen. von Linsingen's army.

Advices from Berlin, based on official Russian reports, said the Russian losses in killed to July 1 totalled 262,000. A new Russian army was landed in France, according to Paris reports. It is also stated that Russian troops sent to France several months ago defeated the Germans in a battle in Champagne.

BRITISH MAKE BIG GAINS UNDER THE EYES OF THE KAISER

Sweep Ahead at Many Points, Capturing New Positions and Driving Foe From Barricades.

LONDON, July 17.—Kaiser Wilhelm's presence on the Somme front, which is admitted by despatches from Berlin, has not stopped the advance of the British troops. Gen. Haig in reports to the War Department to-day mentions several notable gains, including the capture of German second line positions northwest of the Hazentin-le-Petit Wood.

The text of British official statement follows:

"Further important successes have been gained by us. Northwest of Hazentin-le-Petit wood we stormed and captured German second line positions on a front of 1,500 yards. The large number of German dead in this

13,000 CAPTURED IN DAY'S FIGHTING BY THE RUSSIANS

Continued Progress in the Region of the Lower Lipa Is Reported by the Petrograd War Office.

PETROGRAD, July 17 (via London). The Russians are continuing their successful advance in the region of the Lower Lipa, the War Office announced to-day. The number of prisoners taken by the Russians in Volhynia yesterday was nearly 13,000.

The prisoners include 314 officers and 12,687 men. The Russians captured thirty guns, a great number of machine guns and other material.

The official announcement follows: "In the region of the lower Lipa our successful advance continues. The enemy is making a stubborn resistance. In battles in this region we took prisoner 225 officers and 5,872 men. We also captured twenty-four guns, of which twelve were heavy pieces, together with fourteen machine guns, a few thousand rifled and other equipments. We also have cap-